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Argentina - Extension of Mandatory COVID-19-Related Lockdown for Buenos Aires

On 29 June, the Argentine authorities announced an extension of the mandatory “lockdown” for the Buenos Aires metropolitan region, as of 1 July, lasting now until 17 July. (For prior coverage, see [GMS *Flash Alert 2020-273*](#), 8 June 2020.)

The “Necessity and Urgent Decree Number 576/2020” was published in the *Boletín Oficial* on 29 June. As for the rest of the country, the relaxing of each province’s lockdown is an internal decision to be taken by each province’s governor in conjunction with the national government.

WHY THIS MATTERS

This new measure extending the lockdown may add to the stress and anxiety many have been feeling for months, and will continue to inhibit economic growth.

Measures prohibiting group gatherings, closing borders, advising people to keep 1.5 meters apart, and confining people to their homes, remain in place so as to prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

Until such time as the government decides it is safe to rescind, or in a bigger way roll-back current restrictions, remote working is a “best practice” for globally-mobile employees – apart from “essential workers” – to the extent possible, and is a way for employers to foster the safety of their employees and help ensure business continuity.

KPMG NOTE

Any individuals impacted by the quarantine extension may wish to consult with their global mobility advisers and immigration legal counsel as soon as possible for advice on next steps.

FOOTNOTE:

1 For information on the New Decree of Necessity and Urgency (*Aislamiento Social, Preventivo y Obligatorio, Decreto 520/2020*), see the website (in Spanish) of the *Boletín Oficial* at:

<https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/detalleAviso/primera/231291/20200629> .

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